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The Honorable Brent Scowcroft
Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear General Scowcroft:

Mr. Bush asked that I forward to you
the attached memorandum requested by the
President this morning.

Sincerely,

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B. C. Evans
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Memo for the President from DCI
dtd 26 Feb 76, Subj: Classified CIA
Documents Missing From House
Select Committee Files

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Classified CIA Documents Missing From
House Select Committee Files

1. This memorandum is intended to serve as an interim report on the status of classified CIA documents requested by and furnished to the House Select Committee on Intelligence during its investigation of the intelligence community.

2. By agreement with Chairman Pike, all materials furnished to the Select Committee by the Executive branch were inventoried, packaged in sealed cartons, and transferred to CIA Headquarters for safekeeping, pending a final decision on the disposition of these materials by the House of Representatives or the Speaker of the House. The inventory and sealing of the cartons were conducted by Executive branch representatives under the supervision of the House Select Committee staff.

3. In attempting to reconcile CIA records of documents delivered to the Select Committee with the inventory of CIA materials received for storage at CIA Headquarters, we find that approximately 230 classified documents are missing. The more sensitive of these missing documents are identified in Attachment A by general subject category, number of documents involved, and security classification. A complete inventory of the missing documents is now being compiled and should be ready in the near future. When this list is completed, I plan to have my representatives meet with Chairman Pike to determine what measures can be taken to locate or account for these missing documents.

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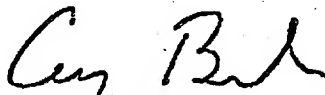
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4. Other Federal agencies are also checking their records and inventories to determine whether any of their documents are missing.

5. The foregoing pertains only to missing materials as we have no way of accounting for the multiple copies of classified documents reproduced by the Select Committee staff from originals made available by the CIA and other Executive departments and agencies. I have advised Chairman Pike, in a letter dated 25 February 1976 (attachment B) that I trust such multiple copies of documents not returned to CIA Headquarters for storage have been destroyed in accordance with procedures appropriate for classified materials.

6. I share your concern over the mishandling of sensitive classified materials by the House Select Committee on Intelligence and I intend to pursue this matter as far as possible.


George Bush
Director

Attachments:

- Attachment A - List of Missing Documents
- Attachment B - 25 February 1976 Letter
to Chairman Pike

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Breach of Sensitive Classified CIA Documents
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Missing From House Select Committee on Intelligence
Files Stored at CIA Headquarters

<u>Category</u>	<u>Approximate No. of Documents</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Max → 1. ✓ SALT	✓ 13 14	✓ Top Secret-Coden
25X1C Carol → 2. ✓ Coup in 	✓ 28 20 ✓ (31) Complete	✓ Top Secret-Coden
Carol 3. Cost: Audit/Budgetary	103	Top Secret
Max → 4. ✓ Procurement	✓ 45 20 Complete	✓ Top Secret-Coden
25X1A Ken → 5. Personnel-Detailees	35 20 34 32	Secret
Carol → 6. ✓ Proprietaries	✓ 8 17	✓ Secret
✓ Ken → #7 ✓ Misc	✓ 15	Secret
TOTAL	232	

Note: (1) SALT documents include such aspects as

(2) Intelligence reporting before, during, and after the Portuguese coup was contained in these documents covering the period March-April 1974.

(3) Relate to internal audit functions of the Agency, budgets for joint programs, and reprogramming of funds.

(4) Procurement involving a sensitive covert operation, selected pages which formed part of a study of the Agency's procurement system. Vouchers and requisition sheets are the types of documents involved.

(5) Names of Agency personnel assigned to other Government agencies and names of official contacts of CIA at each Executive agency are included in these missing documents.

(6) These documents deal with a sensitive proprietary project used to support covert operations abroad.

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NOTE: A total number of 78 classified documents consisting of 212 pages were transmitted to the HSC with Review Staff transmittal letters 75/3129/1 and 75/3129/2 dated 20 October 1975 and 22 October 1975 respectively. Unclassified documents transmitted at the same time are not included in this accounting. In an inventory conducted on 21 February 1976, 86 pages were accounted for, leaving a balance of 126 pages of materials missing. The exact number and titles of the documents represented by the missing 126 pages cannot be determined unless the carton containing the 86 pages of materials accounted for can be inventoried again.

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1				Memo for Asst. Deputy Director for Intelligence (Management) regarding Planning for National and Emergency Wartime Situations.	04/21/64	Secret
1				Planning for National and Emergency Wartime Situations	04/16/64	Secret
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					08/21/64	Secret
					08/03/64	Secret
						Secret
					09/02/66	Secret
					10/04/66	Secret
					09/22/66	Secret
					08/26/66	Secret
					09/02/66	Secret
					09/13/66	Secret
1				08/17/66	Secret	
1				05/17/65	Confidential	

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